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CHILD PORNOGRAPHER SENTENCED TO 20 YEARS IN FEDERAL PRISON

Orlando, FL - United States District Judge Anne C. Conway today sentenced Braulio J. Lopez, 34, of Kissimmee, to 20 years' imprisonment and a lifetime of supervised release for attempted distribution and distribution of child pornography. Lopez was also sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment and a lifetime of supervised release for attempted possession and possession of child pornography. Lopez previously had pled guilty to the charges on January 27, 2006.

According to the facts presented at his plea hearing, America Online had reported to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) that Lopez had transmitted four emails with attached files that contained images of child pornography. AOL identified Lopez's screen name as the sender of the images and reported the transmissions to the NCMEC.

NCMEC reported the incident to U. S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). After receiving the information, agents with ICE and the Orange County Sheriff's Office

obtained a search warrant and seized the computer and computer media at Lopez's home. Lopez admitted to the agents that he had possessed and had distributed child pornography. Investigators found more than 700 images, including movie files.

The prosecution was the culmination of the cooperative efforts of the United States Attorney's Office, ICE and the Orange County Sheriff's Office. Assistant United States Attorney Tanya Davis Wilson prosecuted the case.